

Using Knowledge Mapping- Application and Practicum

Boston KM Forum, Friday, October 5 at Rebecca's in Waltham

At the September Friday morning meeting, Larry Chait led a session on Knowledge Mapping. The group had a great conversation about types of knowledge maps, what makes for a “good” knowledge map, how to introduce maps so that people with different learning styles can access and use them, and ways of creating excitement about a knowledge map in organizations and social networks beyond the original group that created it. There was strong interest among the attendees for continued discussion and exploration of knowledge mapping. We agreed to take the discussion a step farther, by applying these ideas to our own experiences and seeing how this might help us translate the knowledge generated in September into action.

In this meeting, we will choose 2-3 working examples of where knowledge mapping is being used, or might help. These will be drawn from the group; industry sectors may include government, technology, and R&D, and challenges may include using knowledge mapping to:

- *Transfer knowledge from experts to novices;*
- *Promote knowledge-sharing and transfer among experts, such as research scientists in a distributed lab environment; and/or*
- *Foster cross-disciplinary teamwork in highly individualized, professional work environments.*

The session will be facilitated by Tom Bigda-Peyton. Please come, whether or not you came in September. In either case, you can prepare for the session by reviewing the [September meeting notes](#).